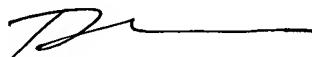


Remarks

Claims 1-85 were pending in the application. By this Preliminary Amendment, Applicants have amended claims 17-18, 20, 26, 31-38, 43-44, 46, 60, 67, and 72, canceled claims 27-30, 39-42, 46-59, 68-71, and 73-85, and added new claim 86. Thus claims 1-26, 31-38, 43-45, 60-67, 72, and 86 are currently pending for examination in the subject application. Applicants have also amended the subject specification to update the "Cross Reference to Related Application" section and to add an "Abstract of the Disclosure" section. Support for the amendments presented herein can be found throughout the subject specification. Entry and consideration of the amendments is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR §§1.16, 1.17, or 1.492 as required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 19-0065.

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